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SENATE FILE 527
BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1207)

(As Amended and Passed by the Senate April 26, 2011)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the administration of the Iowa finance
2 authority and making appropriations and including effective
3 date provisions.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY.

2 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
3 to the Iowa finance authority for the fiscal year beginning
4 July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2012, the following amount,
5 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used to provide
6 reimbursement for rent expenses to eligible persons under the
7 rent subsidy program:

8 \$ 658,000

9 2. Participation in the rent subsidy program shall be
10 limited to only those persons who meet the requirements for the
11 nursing facility level of care for home and community-based
12 services waiver services as in effect on July 1, 2011, and
13 to those individuals who are eligible for the federal money
14 follows the person grant program under the medical assistance
15 program. Of the moneys appropriated in this section, not more
16 than \$35,000 may be used for administrative costs.

17 Sec. 2. IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY AUDIT. The auditor of state
18 is requested to review the audit of the Iowa finance authority
19 performed by the auditor hired by the authority.

20 Sec. 3. Section 16.41, subsection 1, Code 2011, is amended
21 to read as follows:

22 1. A shelter assistance fund is created as a revolving
23 fund in the state treasury under the control of the authority
24 consisting of any moneys appropriated by the general assembly
25 and received under section 428A.8 for purposes of the
26 rehabilitation, expansion, or costs of operations of group
27 home shelters for the homeless and domestic violence shelters,
28 evaluation of services for the homeless, and match moneys for
29 federal funds for the homeless management information system.
30 Each fiscal year, moneys in the fund, in an amount equal to not
31 more than two percent of the total moneys distributed as grants
32 from the fund during the fiscal year, may be used for purposes
33 of administering the fund.

34 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 16.185 Community housing for persons
35 with disabilities revolving loan program fund.

1 1. A community housing for persons with disabilities loan
2 program fund is created within the authority to further the
3 availability of affordable housing for Medicaid waiver-eligible
4 individuals with behaviors that provide significant barriers to
5 accessing traditional rental opportunities. The moneys in the
6 fund are annually appropriated to the authority to be used for
7 the development and operation of a revolving loan program to
8 provide financing to construct affordable permanent supportive
9 housing, including through new construction, acquisition and
10 rehabilitation of existing housing, or conversion or adaptive
11 reuse.

12 2. Moneys transferred by the authority for deposit in the
13 community housing for persons with disabilities revolving loan
14 program fund, moneys appropriated to the community housing
15 for persons with disabilities revolving loan program, and any
16 other moneys available to and obtained or accepted by the
17 authority for placement in the fund shall be credited to the
18 fund. Additionally, payment of interest, recaptures of awards,
19 and other repayments to the community housing for persons with
20 disabilities revolving loan program fund shall be credited
21 to the fund. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2,
22 interest or earnings on moneys in the community housing for
23 persons with disabilities revolving loan program fund shall be
24 credited to the fund. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys
25 credited to the fund that remain unencumbered or unobligated
26 at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert to any other
27 fund.

28 3. The authority shall annually allocate moneys available
29 in the community housing for persons with disabilities
30 revolving loan program fund for the development of permanent
31 supportive housing for Medicaid waiver-eligible individuals.
32 The authority shall develop a joint application process for the
33 allocation of United States housing and urban development HOME
34 investment partnerships program funding and the funds available
35 under this section. Moneys allocated to such projects may be

1 in the form of loans, forgivable loans, or a combination of
2 loans and forgivable loans.

3 4. *a.* A project shall demonstrate written approval of the
4 project by the department of human services to the authority
5 prior to application for funding under this section.

6 *b.* In order to be approved by the department of human
7 services for application for funding under this section, a
8 project shall include all of the following components:

9 (1) Provision of services to any of the following Medicaid
10 waiver-eligible individuals:

11 (a) Individuals who are currently underserved in community
12 placements, including individuals who are physically aggressive
13 or have behaviors that are difficult to manage.

14 (b) Individuals who are currently residing in out-of-state
15 facilities.

16 (c) Individuals who are currently receiving care in a
17 licensed health care facility.

18 (2) A plan to provide each individual with crisis
19 stabilization services to ensure that the individual's
20 behavioral issues are appropriately addressed by the provider.

21 (3) Policies and procedures that prohibit discharge of the
22 individual from the waiver services provided by the project
23 provider unless an alternative placement that is acceptable to
24 the client or client's guardian is identified.

25 *c.* Housing provided through a project under this section is
26 exempt from the requirements of chapter 1350.

27 5. The authority, in collaboration with the department of
28 human services, shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17 to
29 administer this section.

30 Sec. 5. 2009 Iowa Acts, chapter 182, section 14, subsection
31 5, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

32 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. Notwithstanding section
33 232.188, subsection 5, moneys from the allocations made
34 in this subsection or made from any other source for the
35 decategorization of child welfare and juvenile justice funding

1 initiative under section 232.188 for the fiscal year beginning
2 July 1, 2009, that are designated as carryover funding that
3 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal
4 year beginning July 1, 2010, shall not revert but shall
5 be transferred to the community housing for persons with
6 disabilities revolving loan program fund created in section
7 16.185, as enacted by this Act.

8 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This Act, being deemed of
9 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.